

REMARKS

Claims 1 – 16 and 21 are pending in the application. Claims 17 – 20 and 22 are canceled by the present amendment.

Applicants note with appreciation that the Examiner has allowed claims 1 – 16 and 21.

In the Office Action, claims 17 – 20 and 22 are rejected. Without conceding the propriety of the rejection, and solely to advance prosecution of the present application, Applicants canceled claims 17 – 20 and 22. The rejection of claims 17 – 20 and 22 is thus rendered moot.


Applicants are reserving the right to prosecute claims 17 – 20 and 22 by way of a continuation application.

Whereas all of the pending claims, namely claims 1 – 16 and 21, are allowed, Applicants respectfully request that this application be passed to allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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